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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT-ELECT SARKIS

REF: NICOSIA 2669

1. PLEASE ARRANGE FOR THE DELIVERY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE OF THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT-ELECT SARKIS.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT ELECT:

SECRETARY KISSINGER HAS ASKED ME TO CONVEY TO YOU HIS WARM APPRECIATION FOR HAVING RECEIVED OUR TWO FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS--MR. HOUGHTON AND MR. MACK--ON THEIR RECENT VISIT. THE SECRETARY FULLY REALIZES THE MAGNITUDE OF THE RESPONSIBILITIES YOU ARE ABOUT TO SHOULDER. HE WANTS YOU TO KNOW
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THAT THE UNITED STATES WISHES TO BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE

AS YOU SEEK A SETTLEMENT THAT WILL RESTORE PEACE TO YOUR
COUNTRY. THE SECRETARY IS HOPEFUL THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO
SEND A PERSONAL ENVOY TO WASHINGTON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
AFTER YOU HAVE ASSUMED YOUR HIGH OFFICE. YOU MAY BE
ASSURED THAT HE WILL BE WARMLY RECEIVED. END TEXT.
3. WE LEAVE IT TO YOU TO WORK OUT MOST EXPEDITIOUS AND
SECURE WAY OF ARRANGING TO DELIVER FOREGOING MESSAGE TO
SARKIS. YOU MAY WANT TO ASK GHASSAN TUEINI, IF HE IS STILL
VISITING WEST BEIRUT FROM TIME TO TIME, TO DELIVER IT.
SUBSTANCE OF MESSAGE IS NOT IN ITSELF PARTICULARLY
SENSITIVE, AND WE ARE PREPARED TO LIVE WITH THE POSSIBILITY
THAT THE MESSAGE MAY SOMEHOW BE INTERCEPTED, BUT WE WOULD
OF COURSE PREFER TO MINIMIZE THIS RISK. KISSINGER

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